

UNDERSTEIN
Appl. No. To Be Assigned
October 4, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-17 are present in this application. By this Preliminary Amendment, the specification has been amended.

Prompt and favorable examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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